pay and Dearness Allowance may consist of many other fringe benefits which differ from undertaking to undertaking partly due to historical reasons and partly due to bilateral negotiations between the Management and Trade Union representatives in respect of unionised employees. Further the employees of the same Company having same scales of pay may have different pay packets depending upon the place of their posting. Thus, it is very difficult to quantify the minimum/maximum pay packets paid to the employees/officers of various public sector undertakings.

(b) While no specific proposal is under the consideration of the Government, the need to reduce the disparity is kept in view at the time of wage/pay revision.

Public Sector Corporations

1482. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY; Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the chief executives of the public sector corporations which are losing financially have asked Government to write off their losses;

(b) if so, what had been the attitude of the Governmnet towards their suggestion/ demand;

(c) whether Government propose to remove the chief executive of such units which haye been in continuous losses and if so, by when; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) No Sir; there is no such] general demand.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No Sir, there is no such general proposal.

(d) The financial results of these enterprises are not necessarily attributable only to the efficiency or inefficiency of their chief executives though in some stray cases it can also be one of the contributory factors. Moreover, the appointment/ extension of the term of office of the chief executives is done by the government based on the recommendations of Public Enterprises Selection Board which takes into account the various factors affecting the competency and suitability of the candidates for specific posts.

Industries set up in backward areas of Andhra Pradesh by Public and Private Setcor

1473. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY; Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the different public and private sector companies which have undertaken programme to set up industries in the backward areas in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the number of industries which have been set up by each of these companies in Andhra Pradesh during the Sixth Plan period;

(c) if so, what are their locations and cost of each such units; and

(d) what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d) The following num. ber of Letters of intent (LOI,). Industrial Licences (IL) and DGTD Registrations were issued for setting up industries in backward areas of Andhra Pradesh during the years 1980 to 1985:—

Year (Jan-Dec.)	LOI	IL	DGTD Reg.
1980	39	«5	41
1981	38	19	84
1982	47	9	92
1983	5°	25	112
1984	56	23	135
(Jan-Mar) '985	22	11	63

The details of all Letters of Intent, Industrial Licences and DGTD Registrations such as name of undertaking, location, item of manufacture, capacity etc.

are published by the Indian Investment Centre in their Monthly Newsletter; copies of which are available in the Parliament Library. Information about the cost of units is not maintained centrally in this Ministry.

Medium type automatic exchanges

1474. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of medium type automatic exchanges which have been set up in different States as on the 31st March, 1985;

(b) whether Government have any proposal to set up some more such mediumi type automatic exchanges during 1985-86; and

(c) if so, the name of the States where these exchanges are going to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Medium automatic telephone exchanges called MAX-II exchanges are generally set up in Telecom. Circles serving different States. The number of such exchanges set up as on 31-3-1985 in Telecom. Circles State-wise are as follows:

1. Andhra	40
2. Bihar	27
3. Gujarat	41
4. J & K	5
5. Karnataka	31
6. Kerala	80
7. M. P.	25
8. Maharashtra	47
9 .Goa	3
10. Assam	7
11. Meghalaya	2
12. Manipur	2
13. Tripura	2
14. Nagaland	2
15. Mizoram	1
16. Arunachal Pradesh	2
17. **Punjab**	17
18. Haryana	**11**
19. Himachal Pradesh	1
20. Orissa	10
21. Rajasthan	10
22. Tamil Nadu	81
23. Uttar Pradesh	34
24. West Bengal	23
25. Sikkim	1
26. Andaman & Nicobar	1
27. Pondicherry	1

(b) Yes.

(c) These exchanges are going to be set up in 1985-86 in the following States: :

1. Andhra.
2. Bihar.
3. Gujarat.
4. J & K.
5. Karnataka.
6. Kerala.
7. M. P.
8. Maharashtra.
9. Asstm.
10. Manipur.
11. Nagaland.
12. Mizoram.
13. Arunachal Pradesh.
14. Orissa.
15. Rajasthan.
16. Tamil Nadu.
17. Uttar Pradesh.
18. West Bengal.
19. Sikkim.
20. Himachal Pradesh.

Setting up of basic drug units

1475. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have under consideration a proposal to set up some basic drug units in the country in 1985-86**;**